Historic Document in Support of the Anti-Imperialist Struggle of The Peoples

— Editorial by Albanian paper "Zeri i Popullit"

The Albanian paper Zeri i Popullit on May 20 published an editorial entitled "Historic Document in Support of the Anti-Imperialist Struggle of the Peoples" on the first anniversary of the publication of the May 20 solemn statement of Chairman Mao, the great leader of the Chinese people.

The editorial said: "Today, on May 20, one year is completed from the day of the publication of the statement of the great leader of the Chinese people Comrade Mao Tsetung 'People of the World, Unite and Defeat the U.S. Aggressors and All Their Running Dogs!' which was a new call to the freedom-loving and revolutionary peoples everywhere in the world who have risen in struggle for national liberation and social progress, against the policy of war and aggression, intervention and plots of U.S. imperialism and its lackeys.

"Through this statement, Mao Tsetung's figure as a great Marxist-Leninist once more revealed itself before the peoples and all the revolutionaries everywhere in the world. In his statement Comrade Mao Tsetung once more stressed the contradictory and always aggressive nature of U.S. imperialism. He teaches that U.S. imperialism should be held in contempt from the strategic point of view, but should be correctly appraised from the tactical point of view. The events in the past year as well as those that occurred in the quarter of a century after the Second World War best confirm the correctness of the scientific thesis of Comrade Mao Tsetung that 'U.S. imperialism, which looks like a huge monster, is in essence a paper tiger.'"

The editorial said: "In the framework of its global strategy for the establishment of the U.S. hegemony in the world, U.S. imperialism has pursued and continues to pursue the policy of war and aggression. It is armed to the teeth, it has created aggressive pacts and blocs, it has revived and is encouraging West German and Japanese revanchist militarism, and it has unleashed many wars of conquest, such as that in Korea, the Congo, the Dominican Republic, Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia. It is plotting against the Arab people and other peoples of the world. Actual facts show that U.S. imperialism is bent on every adventure and even on unleashing a new world war. Therefore, Chairman Mao Tsetung, in his statement issued one year ago, rightfully said that this danger still exists. At the same time he warned the peoples to always stand vigilant and be prepared for any eventuality so as not to be caught unawares."

The editorial said: "Faced with great political and military defeats in Indochina, ever more discredited before world and American public opinion, the United States of America, in order to come out of the Indo-
China Swamp where it is deeply submerged, is making desperate efforts to change the war in its favour, to oppress and enslave in this way the freedom-loving and valiant Indochinese peoples. In the past year, putting into practice the so-called policy of the Vietnamization of the war, the Washington strategists intensified the barbarous war in South Viet Nam and Cambodia and launched open aggression on a large scale against Laos. But in face of the militant unity of the three peoples of Indochina, the U.S. imperialists and their mercenaries suffered a complete defeat. The aggression of the U.S. and Saigon troops against Laos, as it was expected, turned out to be a great political and military defeat for Washington, marking at the same time the bankruptcy of the war "Vietnamization" policy.

The editorial pointed out: "This once more clearly and forcefully confirms the correctness of Comrade Mao Tsetung's words in his statement issued on May 20 last year that 'strengthening their unity, supporting each other and persevering in a protracted people's war, the three Indochinese peoples will certainly overcome all difficulties and win complete victory.'"

It added: "But U.S. imperialism, as Comrade Mao Tsetung has stressed, is not as strong as it seeks to appear outwardly. This imperialism, through its policy of repression inside the country and its policy of aggression outside the country, has sunk into the boundless ocean of the people's hatred. It has sunk into a deep political, economic and social crisis which is corroding it from within. The waves of the people's revolt are shaking U.S. imperialism inside its den too.

"Comrade Mao Tsetung's saying that U.S. imperialism 'is beset with troubles internally and externally, with utter chaos at home and extreme isolation abroad,' is best confirmed by the events of recent days. Millions of Americans demonstrated in Washington, San Francisco and other cities of the United States to express once again the determined condemnation of the war policy pursued by the Nixon administration abroad and to oppose the policy of social and racial oppression within the country. The shouts full of indignation of 'Nixon, hands off Indochina,' 'Put an end immediately to the dirty war,' etc., and the clashes with the fascist police, etc., clearly show the determination of the American working masses to fight against the anti-popular policy of the ruling circles. They showed that the war in Indochina has turned into a political war inside the United States, into a war between the people's masses on the one hand, and the ruling classes with the Nixon government in power on the other."

The editorial said: The great People's China, by her correct internationalist policy, is rendering great assistance to the peoples fighting for freedom and independence. Precisely for this, Chairman Mao Tsetung's solemn statement, made one year ago in support of the struggle of the peoples against imperialism, sounded so forceful and is being backed up with great revolutionary enthusiasm by hundreds of millions of men and women. As Comrade Enver Hoxha has said, "Immensely is the role and contribution of the Communist Party of China and of the People's Republic of China in the struggle for the revolutionary cause of the international proletariat and peoples of all the world. They are now an invincible stronghold of socialism, the strong basis of revolution, the standard bearers of Marxism-Leninism, the iron pillars and safeguard of our revolutionary common cause."

The editorial said: "The triumph of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and the historic victories in socialist revolution and socialist construction have made the People's Republic of China stronger and more invincible. They have increased to an unprecedented degree its international prestige and authority. The People's Republic of China has always stood for establishing normal diplomatic, economic, trade and other relations on the basis of mutual respect of territorial integrity, sovereignty, equality and mutual advantage with all the countries which would like to live in peace with her. This correct policy compelled of late a number of capitalist countries to revise their stands toward China. The rise in the international prestige of the People's Republic of China is derived from the fact that she has always stood and continues to stand for a principled, revolutionary foreign policy, for the application of the principles of peaceful coexistence among countries with different systems on the basis of the well-known Five Principles. She has opposed with determination the policy of force practised by the so-called 'superpowers' and in her foreign relations she acts as determined defender of the cause of the freedom-loving peoples, of socialism and revolution."

The editorial said in conclusion: "On the occasion of the first anniversary of Chairman Mao Tsetung's statement in support of the struggle of the peoples of the world against U.S. imperialism, the Albanian people appraise it as an outstanding contribution of the great fraternal Chinese people, as another powerful backing of the People's Republic of China for the revolutionary and liberation struggle of all the peoples against the common enemies — U.S. imperialism and its supporters."

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